



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship of God

August 9, 2020

OPENING VOLUNTARY

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OPENING WORDS

CALL TO WORSHIP

All: With what shall we come before the Holy One, and bow ourselves before God on high?

One: God has shown us what is good.

All: What does the Holy One require of us?

One: To do justice. To love kindness.

All: To walk humbly with our God.

One: Let us worship God.

HYMN 1

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior we pray. Amen. *(Silent reflection)*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Sing Twice)

Jesus knows the inmost heart; nothing can be hidden.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 139:13-14

SERMON

"Wonderfully Made by God"

Rev. George Windley, Jr.

ANTHEM

There Is a Balm in Gilead

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: Lord God, because Jesus has taught us to trust you in all things, we hold to his word and share his plea,

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Where nations budget for war while Christ says, "Put away your sword,"

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Where countries waste food and covet fashion while Christ says, "I was hungry, I was thirsty,"

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Where powerful governments claim their policies are heaven blessed while Scripture states that God helps the powerless,

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Where Christians seek the kingdom in the shape of their own church as if Christ came to build and not to break down barriers that divide,

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Where our prayers falter, our faith weakens, our light grows dim,

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Where Jesus Christ calls us to be light of the world,

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

One: Lord God, you have declared that your kingdom is among us. Open our ears to hear it, our hands to serve it, our hearts to hold it. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 139

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

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